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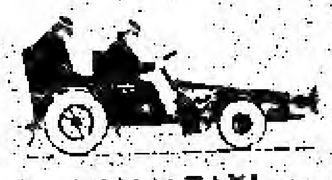

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Sport SPOTLITE

By S. O.

Hello folks! Here I am again to give you some dope on this 'n' that in the various sports fields. I'm still under the holiday spell and finding it a heck of a job to get back into the groove.

Playoffs Coming

Let's take a gander at the local baseball front. Playoffs will be starting in a few weeks and the fight for the bye position in the Japanese League pennant race has narrowed down to Powell Drug and Steveston Fujis, battling neck and neck. At the present time Powell Drug is ahead .033 percentage points. Giants have always tangled with Steveston in close matches, but always come out losers by a nose. Last Sunday they finally came through and stopped Steveston's win streak and also knocked the invincible feeling out of Manager Nag Nishihara's head by setting them back 12-10.

Union Fish's shellacking at the hands of strong Powell Drug nine puts them definitely out of the money for this year's pennant. Union Fish are the defending champs, but they were just something terrible this year. Their fielding was the sloppiest, their hitting the weakest and all in all, they didn't show any of the championship material of last year.

Northwest Champs

This year the Asahis seem none too particular whom they play. They're grabbing every offer to travel. This Sunday, on a specially chartered boat the Nippon Reps will sail across to Woodfibre to tangle the All-Star Japanese team and with the All-Star "Hakujin" team. Then later in July or in August, they'll go down for their yearly jaunt to Seattle.

Once again Fife Nippons have won the Double A Courier title in Seattle. This has been the fourth consecutive year for them, but each time they played our Asahis they've received setbacks. So disgusted are they, that they're going to meet the Vancouver team with a Courier AA All-Star team.

Paging George Hinaga of the San Jose Asahis, how about bringing your team up here for a mythical title match of the Pacific Coast? This Northwest title is a cinch!

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Apology to the Femmes

Well, how are the femmes in sport nowadays? I humbly apologize for some of the slams I hurled at the girls in my column in the special issue. What changed my mind? Well I'll tell you, I've just been scanning over the records of the recent Tennisers' invasion to Seattle, and I find the girls capturing all the laurels, or should I say most of the laurels. Seattle won 13-7, and out of the Vancouverites' seven, the girls captured six points. Huzzah for the girls, congrats to Edith Ikeda, Fumi Deshima and Lily Ide.

But what about the boys? Smothered wasn't the word for it. Good old southpaw Mat Matsui copped the lone point out of the 14 matches. Boys always seem to hit bad weather when they go south.

Orchids go to the turf breakers. The Vancouver divoters grabbed most of the silverware and nearly every member of the invasion party came home with minor prizes. I guess you have to be as old as they are to realize that night life and sports don't mix.

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President Dr. Ed. Banno announces that the Nippon Aquatic Club will have their workout every Wednesday afternoon at the Kitsilano Pool under the guidance of Instructor Allan McDonnell. All members who can turn out are asked to be there.

Tennis Reps Take Bad Beating From Vancouver B Team

Blame it on the strange court anyway that's what the Nippon Tennis Club is going to do. They were whitewashed 6-0 at the hands of the Vancouver B's last Saturday at the Vancouver Tennis Courts.

The last time the Nippons tangled with Vancouver B's they had the advantage of their home court, a strong wind which sent the Nippon top-spin artist's balls doing the 'pancho' in mid-air, and helped the local tennisers to a 5-2 victory. But all this was missing last Saturday. It was an ideal weather, and as horse-followers would say a "track fast" day. The hard-hitting Vancouver B's had no trouble in smashing through the Nipponese defence and won every set.

Nippons will again tackle North Vancouver Tennis Club on their home court next Saturday.

Nobuoka vs. Herald 2-6, 6-4, 5-7; Iwasaki vs. Joffery 6-4, 4-6, 5-7; Matsubayashi-Hirano vs. Wilson-Muscovitch 5-7, 6-2, 2-6; and Paris-McInnes 11-13, unfinished; Takenaka-Miyanishi vs. Wilson-Muscovitch 4-6, 3-6; and Paris-McInnes 4-6, 6-4, 3-6.

Kitsies Slug Early And Down Hompas

By Ted Y. Terada

The old proverb, "Early bird catches the worm," came to reality last Sunday for Kitsilano Busseis, when the usually hard to awaken Kitsies batted the old apple at Powell Grounds as early as 8.30 a.m. Yours Truly is still amazed how they ever got there way ahead of time. Hope it's not a sign of old age.

Nevertheless with every game at stake in order to stay in the running, the Kitsilano Busseis fought as if the very championship was at stake by setting back the Hompas 5-1.

Chuck Terada who went the route for Kits was touched for only 3 hits, one of them a home run by Mario Inouye who gets the honor of wiping out the goose egg in the last half of their final inning.

Kitsilano Slugging

On the other hand Kitsilano collected nine hits of Kiyoshi Misumi. Seizo Ohashi, consistent Kitsilano slugger, collected three hits out of 5 times, while Chuck Terada got 2-3. Hating to be outdone by a kid brother, your correspondent also got 2-4.

Spurred on by the victory, Kitsilano will tackle "Sitting On Top Of The League", Fairview Busseis, this coming Sunday at 10.30 at Model School.

Hompa—Misumi, p (1-3); Sugiman, 3b (0-2); Tanaka, ss (0-3); Kunimishi, 3b (0-3); Nosuye, rf (0-3); Inouye, lf (2-3); Saga, c (0,3); Goto, cf, 2b (0-3); Kutsukake, 1b (0-1); Kamitomo, cf (0-1)—3 hits.

Kitsilano—Ohashi, 3b (3-5); Sugiura, 1b (1-3); Wakabayashi, cf (0-4); Matsumoto, c (0-1); Yoshida, lf (0-2); S. Terada, lf (2-4); Yamada, 2b (0-4); Nishizaki, rf (1-3); C. Terada, p (2-3)—9 hits.

Score by Innings:

Hompa	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—1
Kitsilano	1	2	0	2	0	0	2	—5

How They're Hurling

	G	W	L	Pct.	R	H	SO	BB	IP
Nag Nishihara	11	8	2	.727	51	89	55	25	71
Kaz Suga	10	7	3	.700	26	59	19	22	59
Mike Maruno	3	2	0	1.000	5	13	19	3	16
Frank Shiraishi	3	1	0	1.000	6	10	9	10	12
Tommy Sawayama	1	1	0	1.000	3	6	7	4	7

Burrard Standing

	W.	L.	Pts.
Asahis	18	3	.857
Patricias	9	10	.474
Westerns	7	11	.389
Sacred Heart	2	12	.143

It's a rare treat to find one slugging pitcher in a team. When there's two, well, it's a matter for Ripley's "Believe It Or Not." This year's Asahi nine is packing plenty of offensive power, combined right with its ace pitching duo of Nag Nishihara and Kaz Suga—two big reasons why the Nippon Reps are running away with the Burrard League race.

Leading the individual batting averages are Kaz Suga and Nag Nishihara with remarkable batting averages of .508 and .400 respectively, at the same time chalking up brilliant pitching percentages of .700 and .727.

Including all exhibition games at Chemainus, Athletic Park and league games, Nishihara has lost only two of his eleven starts and Suga three of his ten. Second string starters, Mike Maruno, Frank Shiraishi and Tommy Sawayama, although twirling a comparatively smaller of games have turned in perfect records thus far.

Old Veteran

Still young in actual age, Nag Nishihara is the old veteran of the Asahi mound. His curves and fast sinker balls are still taking their toll and Manager Roy Yamamura calls on him the most to do mound work. He's put in exactly 71 1-3 innings on the hill while next call, Kaz Suga has tossed 59 1-3 frames. Kaz also leads the whole league in the number of stolen bases and runs batted in.

Rookie Maruno

Mike Maruno seems to be doing all right on the mound. He has started off three times, and each time came through victoriously, allowing about 4.33 hits per game. Now, it's a funny thing, Mike chucks winning ball in the Burrard League, but when he flings for his team in the Sunday League, he pitches like a rookie and gets smacked all over the sandlot. It's funny, that way, I guess his heart isn't in the Japanese League games.

Nishihara has struck out the most number of batters and also has given up the most number of free passes and the most hits. Taking the number of hits per inning on percentage basis, Nishihara has allowed 1.24 while Suga has yielded exactly 1 per inning.

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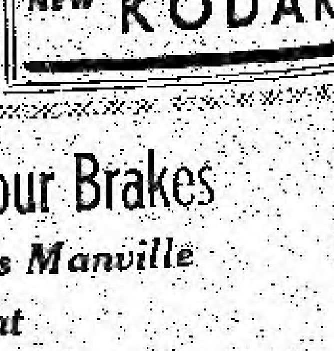

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Nisei and War Service

Day by day the Empire organizes itself to assume heavier and heavier burdens in its iron determination to see the war through to the end, showing mercy but asking none, in the words of Prime Minister Churchill.

Canada will begin the organization of her manpower with the registration of every man and woman over sixteen years, and will follow it up with the drafting of single men for compulsory military training.

There is yet doubt, however, concerning the position of Canadian-born Japanese, and how we may be affected by the program of conscription for home defence adopted by the Government. Although Minister of National War Services J. G. Gardiner declared in the House of Commons that "there will be no exemptions from military training except a few limited by law," and that a person will always be subject to call, as long as troublesome questions remain unsettled in the Far East, the part that second generation may play in Canada's program cannot be forseen.

For ourselves, we know there is no question over the willingness of the second generation to serve in home defence, and even to enlist for service overseas, if the opportunity is provided. Whether that opportunity to demonstrate completely and convincingly the loyalty of Canadian-born Japanese is to be granted rests with international events and the far-sightedness of Canadian authorities.

Japan and Great Britain

Whatever may be said of Japanese militarism or aggression, the underlying fact still remains that the Far East is Japan's natural sphere in the world today, and that her national existence is delicately balanced upon the nature of her commercial and political relations with the Asiatic Mainland. In contrast, the interests of the western democracies are purely commercial or colonial, and in no way could be conceived as being essential to the welfare of the British or American people.

Reports from the Far East indicate that for the first time British diplomacy is prepared to admit the truth of this situation, and to come to some form of agreement that will recognize Japan's paramount position in the Orient.

The vital nature of her relations with the Asiatic mainland has of course been the touchstone of Japan's foreign policy, ever since her emergence from seclusion. It was on these terms that Japan early became an ally of Great Britain arrayed against Tsarist Russia; and it was only when Great Britain herself refused to admit the truth of Japan's claims, that these traditional allies parted company and Japan accepted the overtures of Nazi Germany.

Once Great Britain is prepared to recognize the importance of Japan's interests in her own part of the globe, the way will be cleared for a return to a friendly basis, and Japan will be able to reject Nazi offers of friendship. And Great Britain will find in Japan an ally whose foreign policy has at least been consistent and carried out with good faith, in marked contrast to Germany, Russia, or any number of European countries.

THREE ESSENTIALS OF DOMESTIC BLISS

A highly cultivated Chinese gentleman says: "To my mind there are three things essential to make earthly existence perfect bliss." They are first an American house provided with all the latest accommodations for comfort and convenience; second, daily food cooked *a la Chinoise*; and third, a Japanese wife of the old type with modern education.

The gentleman shows good taste and sound sense. But there is incongruity in his selection.

The style of architecture or the plan of the building he loves changes from year to year. A house designed twelve months ago lacks accommodations which the constructor will put in this week. Inversely, the Japanese bride trained in the modern style does not possess the refinement, the sweet temper and the domestic virtue which our Chinese friend admires in our womanhood of the old school. If he wants an ideal house he must wait as long as he can. If he would have an ideal wife he must hurry up. In the meantime the kitchen will continue unaltered. For who can change the culinary art which has attained well-nigh absolute perfection? A decade will transform the American architecture; half a century will obliterate most of the traits of a Japanese woman's character but Chinese cooking will remain unchanged for cycles to come.—*Dr. Inazo Nitobe in* EDITORIAL JOTTINGS.

O universal brotherhood!
Where art thou fled and gone;
Why rage the sea and tempest where
The sun but lately shone?
—Emperor Meiji.

Baffling ... was the Girl

ABOUT the girl there was a kind of oddness which baffled understanding. You felt it when you encountered her for the first time, a sort of hardness which contrasted strangely with the utter feminity of the girl. She seemed such an unworldly type, altogether on the delicate side, yet you believed that you caught a flash of unyielding strength in her.

When you tried to know her better you came upon the thing again, for she was very cool and very polite and you were uncomfortably aware that you had committed an offense. It was not as if she chose to ignore you. That would have been plain and forgivable. It was a feeling she gave to you that you had in some way attempted to take advantage of her.

Now if you were a psychologist you would have suspected that she felt herself vulnerable to something she sought deliberately to shut out from her life and dared not communicate with you because you might weaken her will. But, not being a psychologist, you were baffled.

INDEED you were a fool and should have the sense not to fall in love with the girl. But you did and there you were, hung out on an impossible limb, unable to retreat in grace and unwilling to proceed into certain danger.

So you did the best thing that occured to you, and you went and dug into her history to find out if you could why she behaved as she did, deliberately excluding the finer emotions from her experience.

You found that she came of a large family existing in direct poverty and that she was the oldest girl and in a way a second mother to her brothers and sisters. She was on leave of absence, you gathered, due to the fact that she was caring for a sick aunt in the city while her uncle was away.

Consequently you felt a lot of admiration for the girl and you called yourself a brute for attempting to force yourself upon her. Yet you also realized that in sacrificing herself thus for her family, she was losing out on all the normal dreams and hungers of a young girl.

You could see that she may have been aware of this and that was the reason for her slamming the door so firmly in your face. She feared that her will to martyrdom was weak and that if she allowed any suggestion of a personal happiness to enter her consciousness she might succumb to the temptation.

NOW you were an individualist and you wondered just in passing thus briefly through her life if she was not making a mistake and that her sincere efforts to mother her brothers and sisters were not robbing them of a strength arising from a battle with environment and victory over that environment.

But you knew that in the eyes of the world she was a great person and you could not buck the opinion of the world and you wear your way. You knew that you should have ripped aside her defensive shell and caused her to realize her womanhood. But you did not.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LIKE STORIES

Editor, The New Canadian —

Dear Sir: Congrats on the Dominion Day issue of The New Canadian. When it didn't arrive on time, I wondered what had happened, but it was more of a surprise to get such a big issue. I've read it right through, and must say it was very interesting. I liked the stories by Mark Toyama, "Cinderella," and "Kaye" especially. Let's have more of them please.

"Just Nisei."

Vancouver.

NEW SLANT

Editor, The New Canadian —

Dear Sir: Permit me to express my appreciation of your kindness in sending me a copy of the July 1st issue of The New Canadian. Its many articles on such a wide range of topics, its short stories and sketches, and its editorial comment have given me a new slant upon the Canadian-born Japanese and the problems they face in the country of their birth.

I was much impressed by the admirable command of the English language which so many of your writers possess and would like to compliment them. Their sincerity, too, shines through every line and I trust that through your medium more and more of my fellows will gain the "Nisei" position.

Vancouver, B. C. "Hakujin."

UNDERSTANDING

Editor, The New Canadian

Dear Sir: I was pretty peeved at the end of last month when I didn't get my June 28th copy of The New Canadian on time. I kept waiting for it a couple days and when it didn't turn up was thinking of writing to you when the Special Dominion Day issue came.

Was I surprised and delighted. Although I leave early in the morning for work, I stayed up late that night to read that swell edition. My hearty congrats to you and your staff. I was mighty proud to pass it among my Canadian buddies, and can say that they enjoyed reading it also.

I think your paper does more to give the Canadians a better understanding of our problems than anything else that I know of.

For this isn't the first time that I've showed The New Canadian to my pals, and I've noticed that, and I'm not kidding either, that they've stopped arguing the way they used to do about all that baloney a lot of anti-Japanese people have dished out in the past. Besides, I think it's mighty important that at this stage of the game when everybody is looking suspiciously at every other fellow as if he was a "fifth columnist" that we Nisei show just on which side of the fence we are, that we are real loyal Canadians.

A New Canadian Fan.

Japan's Monroe Doctrine

LIKE its prototype in America, the Japanese "Monroe Doctrine" is Japan's policy toward East Asia with reference to her relations with the Western powers. It has no concern with relations between Japan and other countries of East Asia. The present condition of this area greatly resembles that which existed in the western hemisphere in the early part of the 19th century in that, with the only exception of Japan, all the regions of East Asia are in status the colonies or semi-colonies of European and American powers.

Japan's "Monroe Doctrine," now in its first stage of development, bears a close resemblance to the original Monroe Doctrine of the United States. It must, of necessity, contain principles of non-colonization, non-territorial acquisition and non-intervention.

IT cannot be denied that the principle of Japan's Monroe Doctrine is primarily a political one, but at the same time it contains an economic principle as a secondary attribute—just like the original doctrine. However, it is never invoked for the purpose of territorial expansion as was the case in American history. Manchoukuo, though with the help of Japan, is clearly an independent country and is not in any respect the territory of Japan. In brief, Japan has not the slightest territorial ambition, but she does demand the right for security and opportunity to trade.

In the economic sphere the Japanese "Monroe Doctrine" envisages what may be termed "East Asia continentalism," which is none other than a movement based upon the geographical, racial, cultural and economic solidarity of the countries of East Asia, with the object of bringing about the closest possible intercourse among them.

The countries of East Asia are already a single community viewed from geographical and historical standpoints, and they are in the process of forming an economic community. Japan's requirements arising from her capitalistic system and the need of her neighbours arising from their agrarian economy are mutually offset.

AMERICAN writers have criticized Japan, asserting that while the United States does not close the door of the American continents under the pretext of the Monroe Doctrine, Japan closes the door of East Asia under her "Monroe Doctrine." Yet the United States has in fact kept the door of Latin America closed under [illegible] policy. Even conceding for the sake of argument that she maintained the open door in her part of the world, the open door has always and will continue to be maintained to the same extent, if not more, in East Asia.

It should be clear that the Japanese "Monroe Doctrine" is essentially the same as the original Monroe Doctrine of the United States.

Thinking people, then, who uphold its application in the new world must admit the logic of its application in East Asia as an essential manifestation of regionalism as against universalism."—[illegible] Kamikawa in "Pacific Affairs Weekly."

Pro and Con

EXPATRIATION--For and Against

By C. O.

From time to time there has been considerable discussion about the question of dual nationality and the Nisei, and the effect it may have on the Nisei. Not a few have found, on reaching majority, that they had been registered at birth in both Canada and Japan, and have taken steps to "expatriate" themselves from Japan.

Most of us have paid little attention to the question. Our American cousins, who are given full political rights if born in the United States, have often urged expatriation. One estimate of the number of dual nationalists of this kind in Northern California is 5 per cent—only 5 per cent of the entire second generation population. The following are some pros and cons of the question of expatriation as I see it:

Why We Should Expatriate

1. Japanese nationality is of no practical use to the average Nisei in Canada, and if we are to continue to fight for our rights in Canada, we must do so as Canadian citizens, not as Japanese subjects.

2. There ought to be no such thing as dual nationality, for no person can serve two masters at the same time. International law has no room for such an anomaly as "dual nationality."

3. The psychological effect of dual nationality on the Nisei themselves is bad—because the unsettled state of the dual allegiance, even if only legal and technical, may affect our attitude toward our problems—hindering us from embarking on a positive and long-term policy. There would be more conviction and determined power in us if we could say that we are in every respect (even legally) Canadian citizens and Canadian citizens alone.

4. Dual nationality serves little purpose because it has no practical effect on us while we are in Canada. If we wish to acquire Japanese nationality in Japan, we may do so by living in Japan and going through the usual procedure.

5. The effect of dual nationality, however negligible from a practical standpoint on the Nisei in Canada, is definitely bad as far as the effect it may have on the attitude of the Canadian public toward the Nisei is concerned. The existence of dual nationality even among a few of the Nisei would be played up by unscrupulous individuals who may seek to cast doubt on the loyalty of second generation to Canada.

And Why We Shouldn't

1. Dual nationality does not have any practical effect on us while we are in Canada. It does not mean that we are forced to military service in Japan. It is a harmless record of our names to please our parents. Therefore there is no rush to take all the trouble of so-called "expatriation."

2. On the other hand the very fact that we are registered in Japan gives us psychological comfort, because we know that if Canada does not accept us as citizens we can go to Japan to have the status of a Japanese subject after three months' residence there.

3. Registration of our names helps to keep our family trees in order. By registration we feel a family solidarity and a respect for family traditions which is sadly lacking in Canadian society.

4. If Canada persistently refuses to recognize us as Canadian citizens we may even renounce our Canadian nationality—acquire Japanese nationality only—and then appeal to the Japanese government for any unjust treatment by Canada.

5. Very few Canadians treat us or consider us Canadian citizens anyway—so why throw away our last connection (no matter how weak the link) with Japan. Whether we are solely Canadian citizens, solely Japanese subjects, or even of dual nationality, the attitude of Canadians as a whole towards us will never change anyway, and they will probably consider us as unwanted always aliens.

Be sure to tune in to CBR Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. when Prof. H. F. Angus, distinguished Canadian political scientist, will interview George T. Tamaki, on the position of the Japanese in Canada, and especially their attitude to the war.

Hawaiian Nisei Pledge U.S. Loyalty

HONOLULU—Absolute allegiance to the United States and firm support of the democratic principles of the American government were pledged in a resolution by the Hawaiian Japanese Civic Association this week, following the 14th annual meeting of the Association in Nuuanu.

Chungking Peace Move Seen?

HONGKONG—Indications of a radical change in the attitude of the Chinese Government at Chungking were seen by neutral observers in the seventh plenary session of the Central Executive and Supervisory Committees of the Kuomintang, recently concluded in Chunking.

For the first time, the issue of peace or war, hitherto banned entirely from consideration, was placed on the agenda and openly discussed.

The plenary session itself, failed to take final resolution on the problem, referring it to departments of the government for further discussion. Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek, in his closing address, emphasized that solid national unity be maintained in deciding peace or war, leading observers to believe that the way was being prepared for peace overtures.

Manchoukuo Forging Ahead Rapidly

By Staff Writer

The exotic, glamorous and bizarre Orient has long cast a spell over the western mind. However, an occidental mind invariably pictures dark-skinned natives dwelling in mud hovels on next-to-nothing as shown in the Hollywood production, "The Good Earth," when the question of oriental living standards is brought up. This picture may have been true in Manchuria of seven years ago, but not in the Manchoukuo of today except in remote country districts.

Startling Progress

For progress, startingly rapid, has characterized the development of Manchoukuo since its founding in 1932. The total mileage of railways has more than doubled from 2,500 to well over 5750. The rich and almost inexhaustible mineral, agricultural and forest resources of the country are being explored and exploited to their fullest. Heavy industries in iron, coal, liquid fuel, electricity, manufacture of motor cars, airplanes, arms, machinery and chemicals are being developed on a vast scale. A "five-year plan" which was launched in 1937 and which will be reaching its goal next year has added tremendous impulsis to the progress.

Cities Booming

Cities and towns are booming overnight. The population of Hsinking, the capital of Manchoukuo, is increasing by one and a half thousand every month, with most of the newcomers signifying their intention of establishing their permanent abode there. A Japanese recently confessed that he was very bewildered when he came back to Manchoukuo after a year's absence to find everything so changed and improved.

And this progress is not limited to the cities and manufacturing centres alone. Typical is this statement by a Manchurian farmer in Kirin Province: "My income has increased three-fold. However, owing to the rising standard of living, expenditures have also increased about three times. But the lowering of the tax burden by the present government financial administration is of great help."

A comparison of prices of goods between Manchoukuo and the United States published in the latest issue of the magazine "Nippon" sheds an informative light upon the subject of living standards. The figures listed under Manchoukuo chiefly concern the Japanese living in Manchoukuo as the Manchurians themselves need but one-half or one third of the Japanese.

The price of provisions and other goods were not found to be radically different from those in the United States. Included among the provisions were beef at 50 chiad a pound (a chiad corresponds to the cent and is one hundredth of a Yuan, which in turn is worth a little over 25c American money, but whose actual purchasing power in Manchoukuo is equivalent to that of the dollar in America); fish 20 chiad; sugar 10 chiad; flour 9 chiad; potatoes 4 chiad.

Although beef and flour are expensive, their cost does not affect the people much as fish and rice are their staple food. (Rice costs about 11 chiad a pound.) Sugar is expensive as it has to be imported. To sum prices up, meals run up to about 80 chiad a day as compared with $1.10 a day in America.

Among other things, a broadcloth shirt costs 3.20 Yuan, silk necktie 1.50 Yuan, shoes made to order 15 Yuan, undershirts or shorts 35 chiad each, haircut (which includes a haircut, shave and shampoo) 50 chiad, cigarettes 10 chiad per package of twenty (imported tobacco such as "Camels" cost 40 chiad), admission to movies 20 chiad and up (many American films are shown), and a subscription to a daily costs 1.10 Yuan.

As to wages, the Manchoukuoan laborer gets 4 Yuan compared to $3.90 an American laborer receives. (American wages, those of laborers in New York, figures taken from 'The World Almanac.')

In conclusion, the living standard and wage rates are correspondingly the same for both countries. American-made goods are three times higher in price in Manchoukuo and Manchoukuo-made goods are three times lower than American goods in America because of the exchange rate. Both Manchurian and American laborers are living on nearly the same standard. Contrary to popular ideas abroad, Manchoukuoan laborers do not live like slaves.

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The Nisei and Music

By A. Y.

The Japanese are not noted for their music as some European races. Leading authorities agree that western music represents the highest form of musical development. But the Japanese language, distinctly feminine in structure, lends itself to music as it demonstrated by Japanese poetry which is extremely melodious.

THE JAPANESE AND MUSIC

In fact, it has often been said that the Japanese have a musical ear. The Nisei seem to have inherited this faculty to some extent.

Scanning the results of the examinations held by the Toronto Conservatory of Music, a casual observer would jump to the conclusion that the imposing number of successful Nisei students is a definite proof of their musical ability, which is not quite the case as yet.

Unfortunately, the fond ambitions of the Issei parents have led them, in many cases, to give their children a musical training when they could ill afford it and where the results did not justify the sacrifices. Too often, moreover, the music lessons have been crammed down the throats of the children whether or not they were ready to digest them.

NISEI AND MUSIC LESSONS

In the long run, however, I believe that all this expenditure of time and money will not be fruitless. The third generation will benefit from the hard-learned lessons of their parents, who will be in a position to give their children a much better musical education.

Niseis do not differ much from their Canadian friends in regard to their taste for music. Most turn to popular music in its "sweet" and "swing" forms, while a small minority find classical music more to thier liking.

NISEIS' TASTES IN MUSIC

As is generally known, the taste for classical music can easily be acquired. I personally know of Niseis who gradually got a liking for classical music through the intelligent encouragement of some friends, even to the point of listening attentively to symphonies, concertos and some forms of absolute music.

But the vast majority stick to their cowboy ditties, current jazz favorites and Japanese song hits.

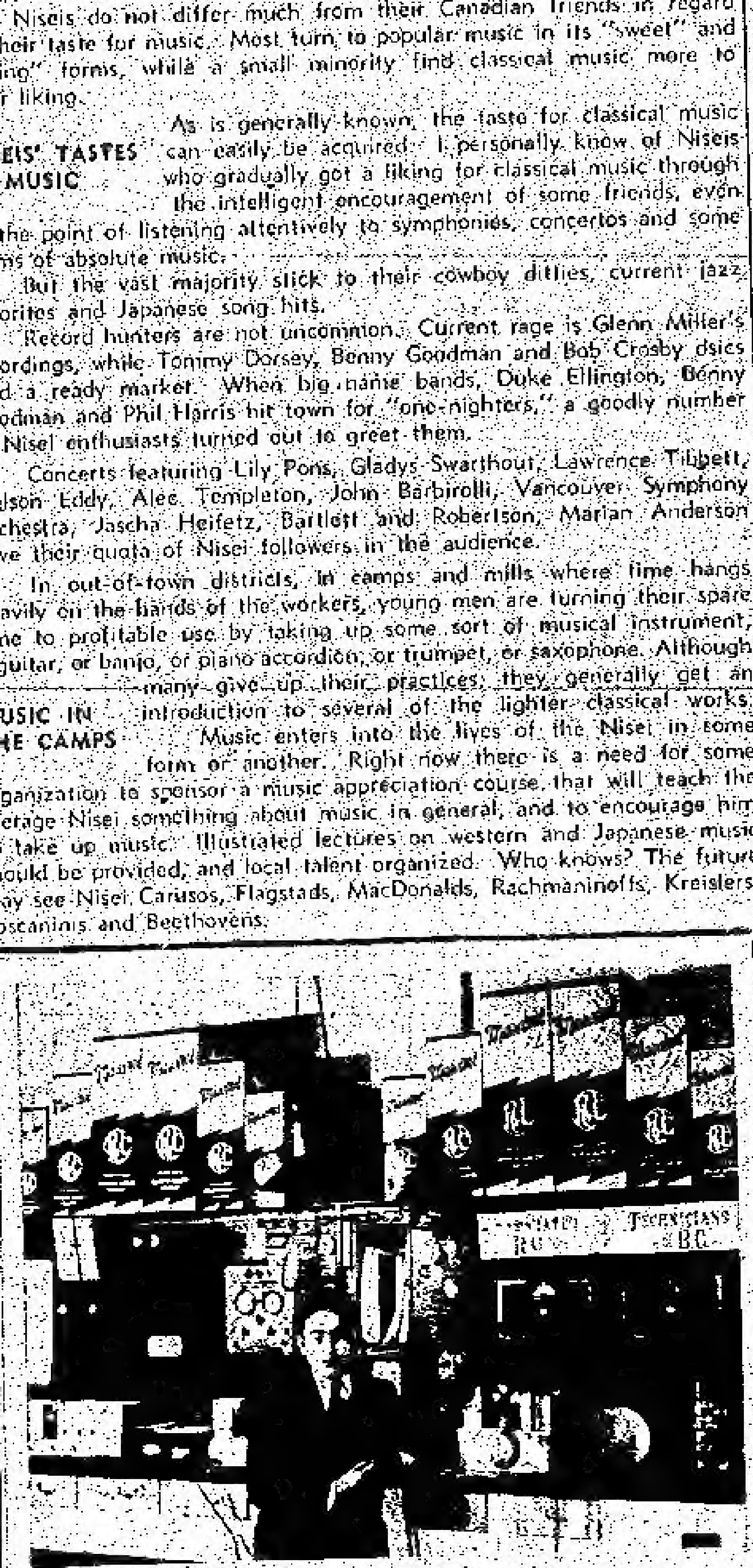
Record hunters are not uncommon. Current rage is Glenn Miller's recordings, while Tommy Dorsey, Benny Goodman and Bob Crosby dsics find a ready market. When big name bands, Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman and Phil Harris hit town for "one-nighters," a goodly number of Nisei enthusiasts turned out to greet them.

Concerts featuring Lily Pons, Gladys Swarthout, Lawrence Tibbett, Nelson Eddy, Alec Templeton, John Barbirolli, Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, Jascha Heifetz, Bartlett and Robertson, Marian Anderson have their quota of Nisei followers in the audience.

In out-of-town districts, in camps and mills where time hangs heavily on the hands of the workers, young men are turning their spare time to profitable use by taking up some sort of musical instrument, a guitar, or banjo, or piano accordion, or trumpet, or saxophone. Although many give up their practices, they generally get an introduction to several of the lighter classical works.

MUSIC IN THE CAMPS

Music enters into the lives of the Nisei in some form or another. Right now there is a need for some organization to sponsor a music appreciation course that will teach the average Nisei something about music in general, and to encourage him to take up music. Illustrated lectures on western and Japanese music should be provided, and local talent organized. Who knows? The future may see Nisei Carusos, Flagstads, MacDonalds, Rachmaninoffs, Kreislers, Toscaninis and Beethovens.



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NOT THAT IT MATTERS

Strolling along the Ginza the other afternoon, the office Nisei and the Cub Reporter met an acquaintance of theirs who works in a bank—Mr. Kaneko.

"Hello, Kaneko-kun," the Nisei hailed him with a broad grin. "How about lending me 10,000,000 Yen until next Monday?"

"The cashier", said Kaneko coldly, "is in charge of loans." Only that fact, it appeared, kept him from asking what the Nisei had to offer as collateral.

The Nisei continued to grin. "Say, Kaneko-kun, do you know why a woman keeps the money in her stocking?"

"Why a woman or any one else should ignore modern banking facilities—"

"It's because," the Nisei guffawed, "she wants to put it where it'll draw the most interest. Draw interest—get it?"

Kaneko seemed puzzled. "I fail to see how interest could accrue as a result of—"

The Nisei gave up. "What's the reason," he groaned, "that cons and contact with money destroys a fellow's sense of humor?"

"I don't know," Kaneko murmured, "but now that you mention it, I've noticed that lack of constant contact with money usually has the same effect."

And grave as ever he passed on, leaving the Nisei and the Cub Reporter to meditate upon a great if gloomy truth.

The recent water shortage in Tokyo has brought about a recrudescence of the remark that there isn't enough of the fluid because the sake brewers are putting it into their sake.

And simultaneously, according to the Cub Reporter's theory, there's been a decrease in the bread supply because the coffee shops have cornered the wheat supply to use in making their coffee.

One of the women in the outer office commented the other day that Haruko-san the switchboard girl had a fondness for mannish suits.

"That's natural enough," said part man—you see, my father was Haruko, "because I happen to be one."

There's nothing mannish about her figure, however. Admiringly, the Cub Reporter asked her how many kilos she weighed.

"Thirteen kan," said Haruko.

"But how many kilos?"

"Thirteen kan," she repeated firmly.

"You insist on the good old Japanese system, eh?"

"Of course I do!" Haruko declared. "I'm a nationalist—and then it sounds so much less."

THERE'S A NEW THRILL SNAPSHOOTING WITH A NEW KODAK

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by Diana

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Wednesday's child is sorry and sad,
Thursday's child is merry and glad,
Friday's child is loving and giving,
Saturday's child must work for a living,
But the child that's born on the Sabbath day,
Is blithe and bonny, wise and gay.

The biggest event in the life of any woman, or man for that matter, is the long looked-for arrival of Mr. Stork with his tiny bundle of gurgling humanity. And when he has chosen the chimney of one of your friends down which to drop his precious package, it is only fitting that the innocent new arrival be welcomed with due pomp and glory.

Showers for the baby are not quite so popular as the bridal shower but they are just as thrilling and perhaps more novel because there is a perfect little stranger to meet. The custom of presenting an infant with gifts originated in ages past when relatives and friends arrived with presents of money, salt, bread, and cheese, so that the child will never be in want of money or food throughout life.

Baby showers are given in the afternoon, three or four weeks after the arrival of the infant. The guests who include only the intimate friends of the mother should surprise her in her home rather than to invite her out some distance to the home of a friend. A little time and thought will result in original methods of presenting the gifts.

As for the gifts themselves—there are oh, so many, many cunning little things to give! Just wander through a baby shop, and you'll find yourself oh-ing and ah-ing over all the tricky little articles. There are innumerable dainty dresses and bonnets, booties and mittens all in pale pink, blue and white. There are soft quilts of eider down and tiny bedspreads of chenille to match mother's. Cozy sleeping bags of heavy flannel look very modern with their full-length zipper opening.

For baby's dresser are pretty racks with jars marked "boric," "baby oil," "cotton," "nipples," in the gayest pinks and blues. To record baby's first accidents are beautiful cloth-bound volumes. Handy for busy or lazy mothers are the latest disposable diapers. For merger showers there are cribs and high chairs with all the latest attachments. There are, too, handy kiddie-baths of soft rubber on wooden stands—easily cleaned and drained. These are but a few of the pretty articles with which to shower the latest addition to the family.

In your eagerness to shower the baby, don't forget the proud mother. Flowers for her are a thoughtful touch.

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GODPARENTS FOR YOUR BABY

A baby like all miraculous things in life is surrounded by many superstitions. It has long been the custom for each child to have its own godparents. Godparents originated long ago when another man and woman were chosen to act as parents in order to confuse the evil spirits. Although the superstition no longer exists godparents are still chosen to carry out their duties and responsibilities.

A while back the duties of the godparents involved nothing but expense, for little larger and more expensive presents were expected from them, not only to the baby but also to the mother. Some avaricious mothers taking advantage of the situation had their babies baptized three or four times just for the sake of the valuable gifts of silver and jewelry. As a result it grew more and more difficult to find people wealthy enough to fill the office of godparent. In later years, the evil was remedied and now the gifts of godparents take the form of a white christening robe or a silver cup or spoon to mark the important occasion. From this custom evolved the phrase "born with a silver spoon in its mouth."

Three godparents for each baby are the accepted number—two godfathers and one godmother for a boy and two godmothers and one godfather for a girl. Usually now there are but one of each.

Godparents are responsible for the moral welfare of the child and become its guardians on the death of the parents. The godmother holds the child during the christening ceremony and she is the one to give its name. At the reception following the service, the mother cuts the christening cake while the godfather offers the toast to the baby's health.

With such important duties attached to the office of godparents it is only natural that they should be chosen from among the closest and most trusted friends of the mother and father.

Many other superstitions about the baby have come and gone. If your child has not fallen out of bed before it has reached the age of eleven months, then beware, for ten to one chances are that it will be a fool. Do keep all mirrors out of reach of his chubby hands for if he sees himself before his first birthday he will surely die and during the same time take care not to cut his nails with scissors or he will grow up to be a thief. Be sure to keep him amused and happy on his first birthday because tears mean unhappiness throughout life, but if he should cry during the baptism, be not alarmed for it is simply the evil going out of him. Do you want your child to rise in the world? Then see that he is carried upstairs the day he is born.

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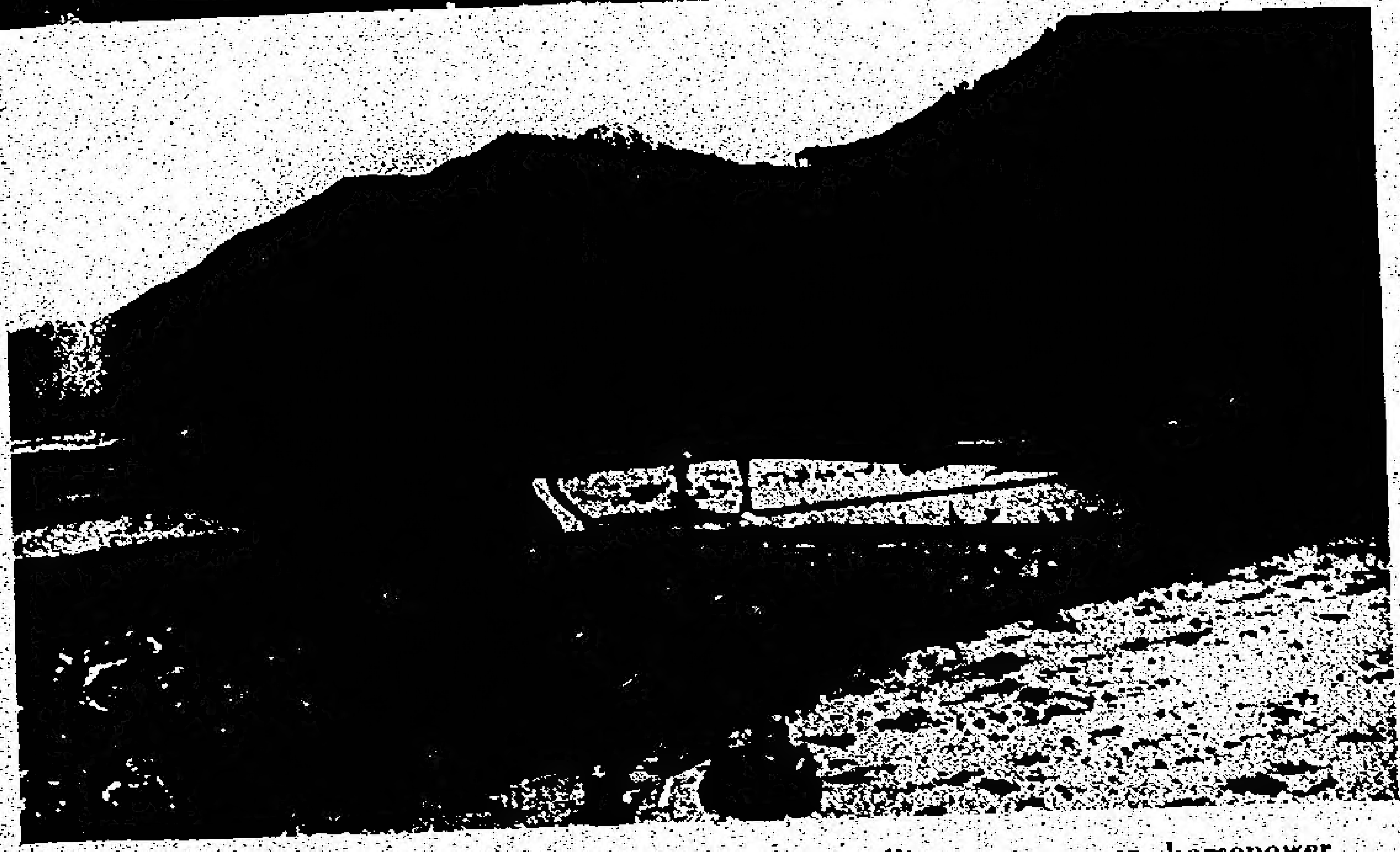

Preparing the drenched soil for the green rice seedlings, manpower, horsepower, an abundance of water and fertilizer are essential. Above the process is shown—the advance guard of the harvest in the service of the Empire

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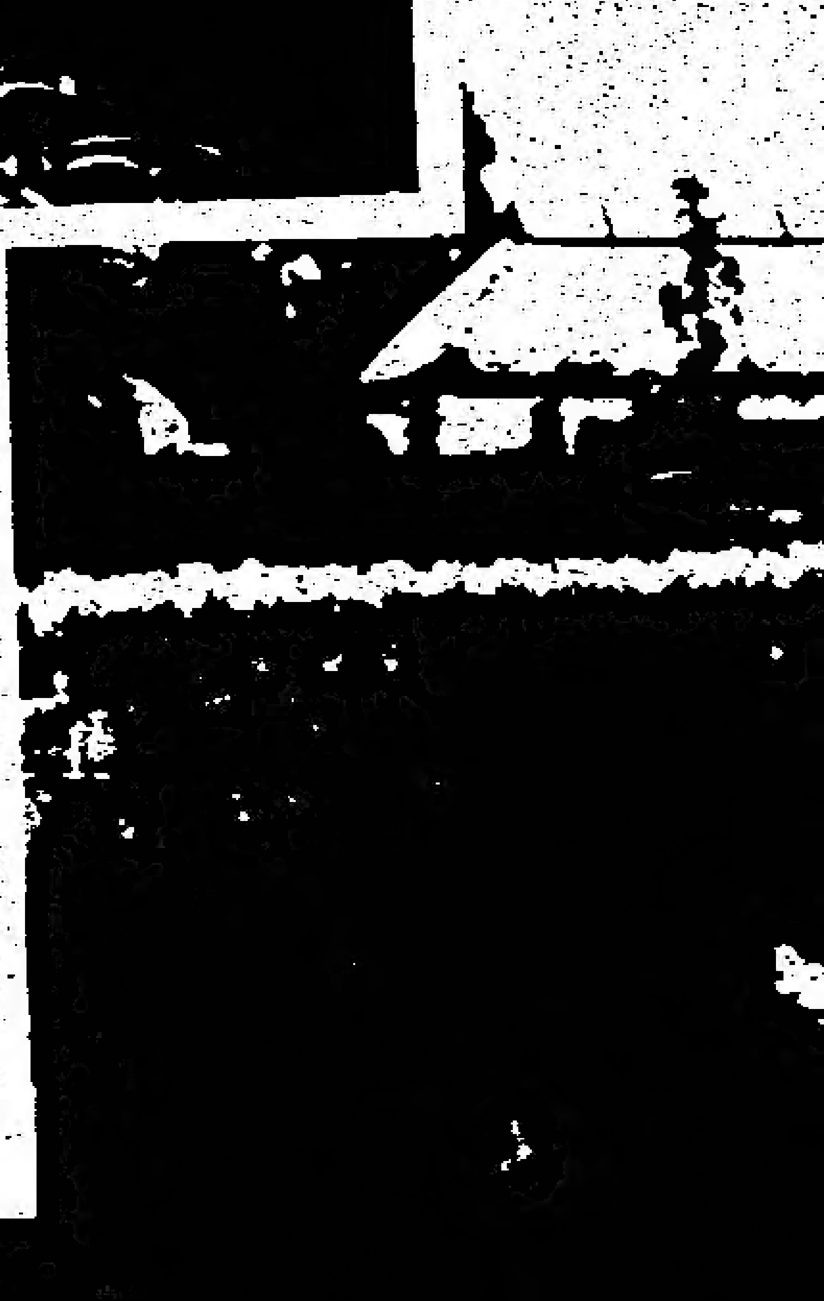
above workin

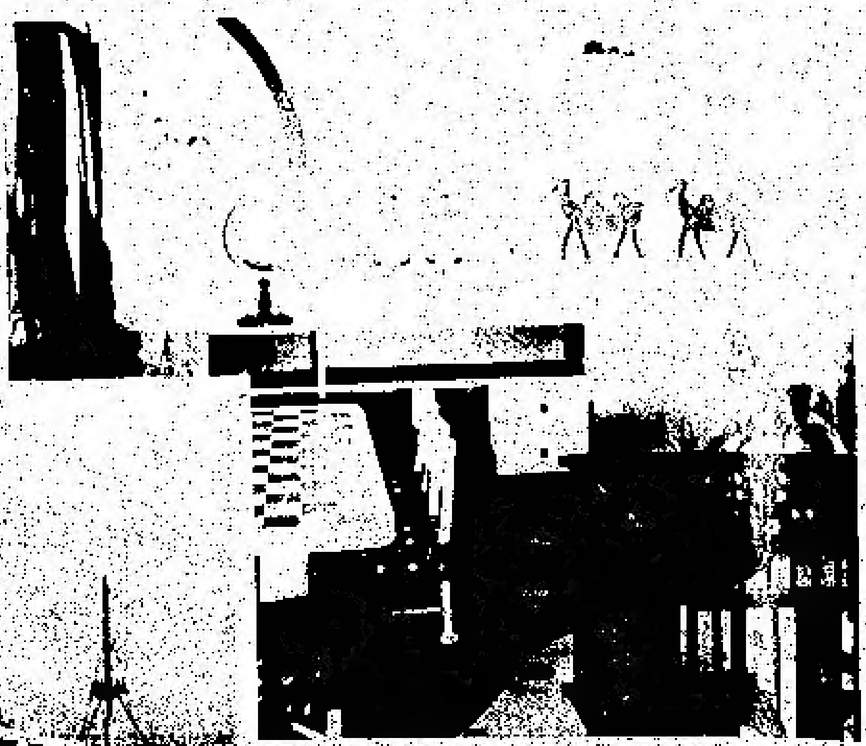
Sheep raising is growing in importance on the frontier island of Hokkaido, north of Japan's main isles. The soothing scene above was taken on a government experimental farm

Barefoot below a Japanese farm woman wades and works in the rice paddy. In the distance the mountains make the scene one of rare enchantment

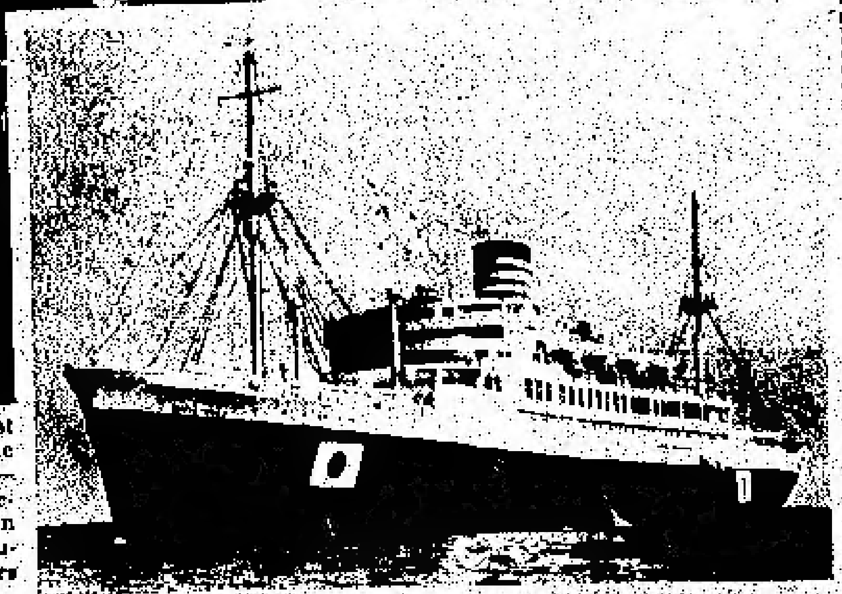


NEW NIPPON LINER STREAKS SEA

The beautiful new N.Y.K. Liner Nitta Maru, 17,200 gross tons, (below) recently broke the Hawaii-California record on her maiden voyage. The vessel has a speed of 22.5 knots an hour and is beautifully appointed in every way



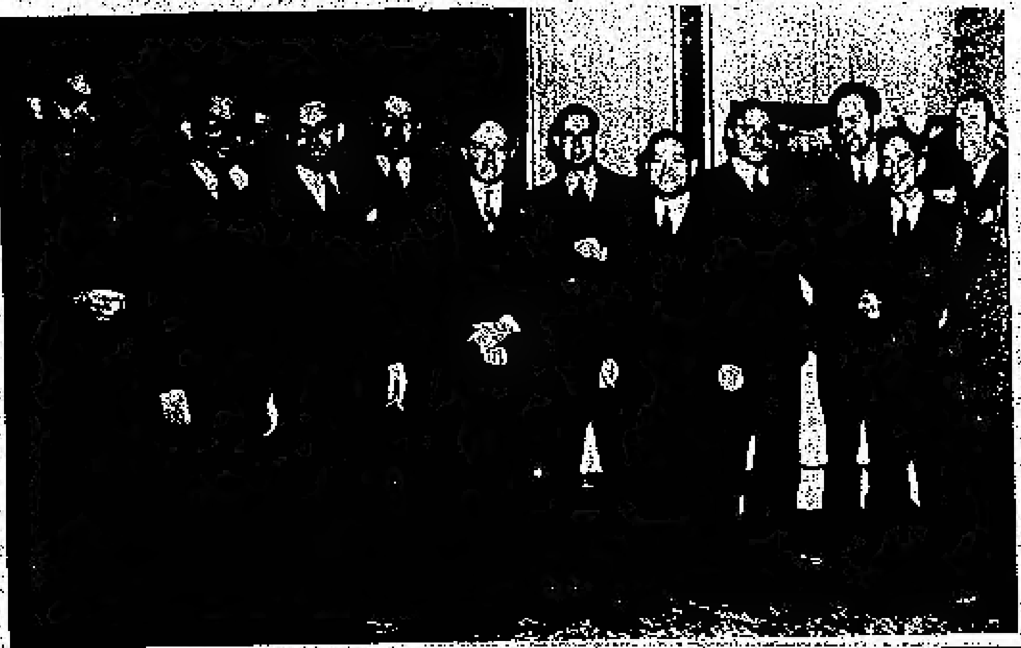
Play facilities to delight the heart of every child are provided in the children's room of the Nitta Maru (above) in the first class quarters. Note the hobby horse and the camels on the wall



Above is the first class verandah of the Nitta Maru. Designed in the latest modernistic style, passengers are made cozily at home and comfortable to the 'nth degree.

Below one of the first class state rooms of the Nitta Maru is shown — large, comfortable and reflecting the last word in modernistic design calculated to cheer voyagers while on the high seas

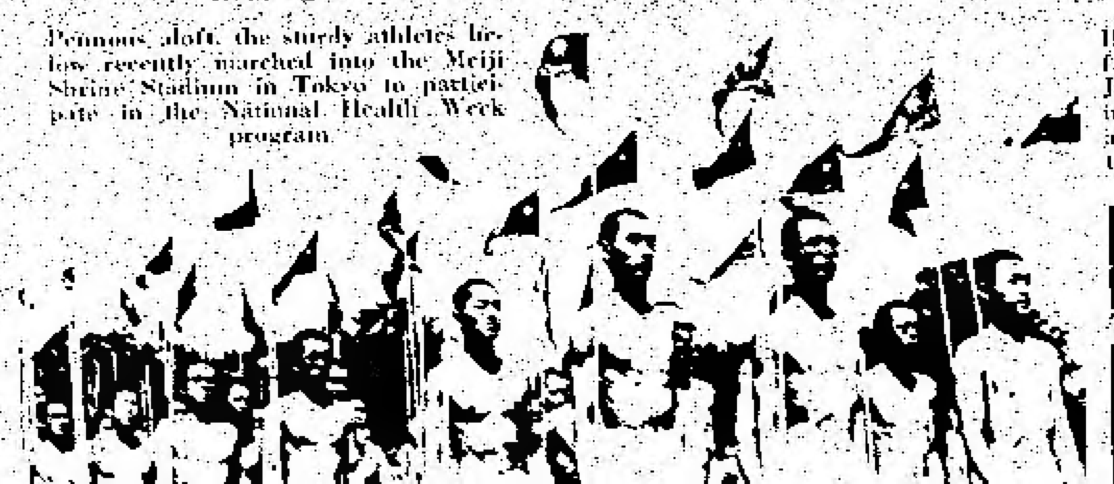
Honoring the arrival of the Nitta Maru, the N.Y.K. Line held a gay party at the Hotel Biltmore in New York. Heads of shipping lines and travel agencies, (grouped below) were prominent guests



Friendly Hands Across the Pacific

Joseph C. Grew, U. S. Ambassador, (above) recently addressed a luncheon party of the Pan-Pacific Society in Tokyo. Foreign Minister Arita is third from right

Pennons aloft, the sturdy athletes below recently marched into the Meiji Shrine Stadium in Tokyo to participate in the National Health Week program



Chinese Homage at Tokyo Shrine

Before leaving Tokyo recently the Chinese Good Will delegation (above) paid a visit of homage to the Meiji Shrine. The group was headed by Chen King-po, head of the Nanking Legislative Yuan

Headed by Mrs. S. Hasegawa, famous women writers of Japan are shown below leaving the Meiji Shrine to form a Glorified Column that will tour China to write their impressions

TOWN TOPICS

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[illegible]s a surprise to even her [illegible] friends was the engagement [illegible] of Toshiko, only daughter [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. H. Tanabe of [illegible] to Mr. Tokutaro Takahashi, [illegible] son of Mr. and Mrs. Takahashi [illegible] Revelstoke, B. C. The wedding [illegible] take place early in the fall.

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[TR]ANS-PACIFIC TRAVELLERS

[illegible] Mr. Yutaka Uyeda, only son of [illegible] and Mrs. B. Uyeda, who left [illegible] Japan early in April accomp[anied] by his mother for a visit re[turne]d Saturday, July 13, on board [the] Heian Maru. Mrs. Uyeda will [return] very shortly.

[Al]so on board the Heian Maru [we]re Mrs. Haruo Yonemoto and [Mis]s Iioko Suzuki. Mrs. Yonemoto, the former Miss Ruth Washimoto of Vancouver now lives in Yokohama, where her husband, a former Steveston Nisei and a graduate of U.B.C., works at the Nippon Sangyo Company, Datsun Auto Division. Mrs. Yonemoto is the secretary to Miss Kaufmann of the Y.W.C.A. in Japan.

Miss Iioko Suzuki, a graduate of the Vancouver Normal School, has been teaching English at the Mita Jogakuin, Tokyo for the past six years.

Both Miss Suzuki and Mrs. Yonemoto plan to stay in the city for the summer.

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Honouring Miss Yoshiko Momose, who is leaving for Japan with her mother shortly, Miss Katherine Shimo-Takahara was hostess to her many friends at tea on Monday evening, July 15 at her home.

On board the outgoing Heian Maru leaving on Wednesday July 24, will be Mrs. Z. Higashi, who is going to Manchukuo to visit her eldest son, Shinobu, the former Editor of The New Canadian. Mr. Higashi is the associate editor of the Manchuria Daily News, Hsinking.

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Leaving for Boston to attend the Massachussetts Institute of Technology is Mr. Thomas K. Momose, third son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Momose. Mr. Momose who led the graduating class of Lord Byng High School last June will enter the engineering class. He is leaving on Sunday, July 21.

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Mr. John Nomura of Regina is visiting Vancouver for a holiday. He is accompanied by his parents.

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PICNICING PARADE

A capacity crowd enjoyed a picnic held by the joint organizations of of New Westminster and vicinity at Belcarra Park last Sunday, July 14.

The Jikyokai executive announced that the picnic scheduled for July 14 has been postponed to Sunday, July 21st. No changes in arrangements has been announced, however, except for the above mentioned change in the date.

Spanish Banks, this Thursday evening, will be the setting of fun and relaxation as the Nisei Players, with the burden of acting off their shoulders, celebrate their recent production.

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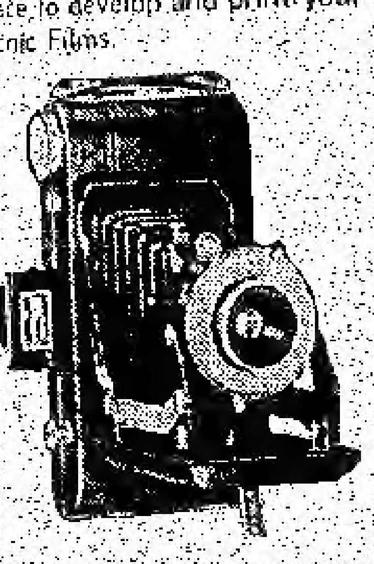
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Vesper Service

Powell Junior Church held its first outdoor vesper service last Sunday, with the pastor, Rev. K. Shimizu giving a brief sermon on "Mountains in the Life of Jesus."

Many young people attended the service which was held just at sunset on the heights of Capitol Hill, Burnaby, from where one has an unlimited view of the Fraser River on one side, Burrard Inlet on the other, and the City itself.

Capital City Chatter

Michio "Mike" Ishida, now a resident of Vancouver, paid a one-day visit to Victoria last Sunday.

Of all the young folks having a good time at a recent beach-party it looked as if "Ashkan" was having the most fun of all, and he did feel good!

Although the "killer" hasn't fished these parts in many a moon, there's still another recruit to the "Jinx" parade—just ask Roy who the latest "goat" is—and why!

After a certain week-end not so long ago, we now know that these so-called golf "bugs" can be as crazy as fishermen (?)—ain't that some consolation fellas—ahem!

Imagine the embarrassment of those two young fellows who dashed down to the over-crowded dairy fountain the other night—they were in the middle of their respective? milkshakes when it suddenly dawned upon them that they looked like a couple of "mud pie babies"—they'd got splattered with grease, as it always happens, while tinkering with a car heater.

Dear Mr. Editor: Why was it that the names of a couple of Vancouver visitors were dropped from this column last week—don't tell me that your scores on the golf-courses over here had something to do with it or is it that you're waiting for photographic proof of your prowess with the rod and reel?

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Many Nisei Pass Toronto Music Tests

It has often been pointed out in the past that the Nisei are talented in music and the fine arts. The results of the examinations held last month by the Toronto Conservatory of Music seem to bear out this contention. Close to fifty Niseis were successful in their grades which include both the practical and written work.

At present some five second generation, themselves Associates of the Toronto Conservatory, are engaged in giving instruction in pianoforte, violin and voice.

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Teachers—Pass, Grace Namba, **Conditioned in Pedagogical Routine and Sight Reading,** Hanako F. Naruse.

Grade X—Honors, Mary Nishikawara.

Grade IX—Honors, Fumi Kono.

Grade VIII—Honors, Eiko Suzuki.

Grade VII—First Class Honors, Amy Iwasaki. Honors, Kay Machida. Pass, Kazuko K. Oyama.

Grade VI—Honors, Shizuko Maeda, Mariko Tokunaga, Tomiye Hiraishi. Pass, Sumiye Suzuki, Sumi Tomonaka.

Grade V—Honors, Mary Matsui, Emiko Mori, Satsuko Ikemura, Yoshiko Ebata, Sachiko Maikawa, Jean Shimotakahara, Teruko Tanabe. Pass, Etsuko Toguri.

Grade IV—First Class Honors, Riyogi Sugiyama. Honors, Aiko Watanabe, Kuniko Uchida, Emiko Sakamoto, Ayako Sugiyama, Sachiko Yamaoka, Miyako Okumura.

Grade III—First Class Honors, Rose Hikida, Kazuko Nakamura, Ikuko Yamake. Honors, Miyeko Kosaka. Pass, Aiko Jinnouchi.

Grade II—Honors, Elsie Iwasaki, Sachiko Ikeda.

Grade I—First Class Honors, Miyoko Nishihata. Honors, Atsuko Noda.

THEORY

Associated Piano (written)—Honors, Hanako Naruse.

Grade V—Harmony, History: First Class Honors, Molly Hirayama. Pass, Mary R. Okazaki. **Harmony**—Pass, Teresa Kurisu. **Counterpoint**—Pass, Shirley Handa. **History**—Honors, Mary Nishikawara.

Grade IV—Counterpoint: Honors, Amy D. Okawara.

Grade III—Harmony: Honors, Kazuko Sanmiya. **History:** First Class Honors, Lucy Ikata, Ayako Tokunaga.

Grade II—First Class Honors, Theresa Okawa, Eiko Suzuki, Sachiko Kagetsu, Margaret Shimotakahara. Honors, Sumi Tomonaga.

Grade I—First Class Honors, Kay Machida, Shizuye Uyeda, Chizuko Sasaki, Shizuko Maeda, Kazuko Suzuki.

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Grade VI — Honors, Theresa Okawa.

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New Japanese Books In UBC Library

By K. C. M.

Among the latest additions to the books on Oriental Studies at the University of British Columbia are a collection purchased from a gift by the Japanese Alumni Association. The gift, presented in commemoration of the organization of the Japanese Alumni Association of the University of British Columbia, was utilized to enlarge the collection of books on Japan and things Japanese at the local University.

These books fill a long-felt need for texts dealing with the Far East and their problems. Heretofore, these have been very few at our University. Miss Anne Smith, reference librarian, stated, "We have tried to choose books which will be most useful and informative." Accordingly, these books deal with such subjects as Japanese Art and Flower Arrangement to toys and common everyday things.

A small but very informative and amply illustrated series of thirty books put out by the Board of Tourist Industries are among the collection. Notable among these are those dealing with the Japanese tea ceremony under the title "Tea Cult."

The Japanese classical drama is concisely dealt with in the "Noh Plays" and "Kabuki Drama" by leading authorities in these fields.

Paintings of the famous Japanese landscape painter Hiroshige are reproduced together with a description of his better-known works.

Even the common everyday things to the Japanese people but which may be a curiosity to the foreigner are not left to the imagination but fully described in detail under such titles as "Japanese Folk Toys," "Japanese Coiffure" and "Kimono."

Japanese literature in the form of works by Mme E. Sugimoto and Sei Shonagon constitute a contribution to the collection.

Life of a British Diplomat in the Far East during the '60's is ably portrayed by Sir Ernest Satow in his "A Diplomat in Japan."

A concise and complete text on Japanese language and grammar written by a professor of Japanese at a university in Rome, Oreste Vaccari, is a classic in this field. This book is not the usual run of "How to learn in ten easy lessons" variety, but is a complete and well written text used by many colleges throughout the world.

The interesting life of a correspondent for a large newspaper is the subject of the book by H. G. W. Woodhead, C.B.E., editor of Oriental Affairs authority on Far Eastern affairs.

Another interesting book is "Nippon-Shindo-Ron" by Yutaka Hibino, a volume dealing with a very difficult subject on the ideals and aims of the Japanese people.

These are but a few of the books bought by the University from the donation by the Alumni Association but these together with those already there will form a nucleus of what everyone hopes will be one of the most extensive and valuable collection of books on Oriental studies on this side of the Pacific.

EARTH REPLIES

The fragrant odour of the lilac tree,
The incense of the mossy copse:
Do load the air with powdered sleep.
And liquid lotion of love-drops.
Upon the downy couch of sprawling moss,
I sat me down 'midst softest fleece.
Ten thousand elves pressed on my lids,
Ten thousand voices whispered: "Peace."
I saw the trap fall back on earthly cares.
I passed beneath the Arch of Dreams
Into the mirrored Chamber of Desire
Set in shimmering webs of moonbeams.
"O Mortal, ask, and thou shalt know the truth."
"O where is Peace and Quietude?"
And then I saw the mead and babbling brook:
The pine in silent solitude.
I heard:
And Joy? The chirping of the birds,
The violets smiling sway:
And Life? The surging of the mournful waves.
I heard throughout the day.
Beauty? Into the west its brilliant hues,
The sun did sink before my eyes:
The twinkling stars did shine with silver rays:
The moon hung trembling in the skies.
Of Love? I saw the tips of mountain peaks.
The whispering trees, the winds that sigh,
And then I heard the universal song.
All things praising God on High.

—George S. Arai in *The New Age*, March, 1933.

Around The Bridge Table

Lesson XV: Bidding for Game

Bidding has but one purpose, a self-evident purpose. It aims to paint a fairly accurate picture of a player's hand to his partner and vice versa. By means of it, partners can determine whether their combined holdings are in one of three general "zones."

Part-score Zone—FOUR to 5½ honor-tricks. Partnership hands containing FOUR honor-tricks will usually make a contract of ONE-ODD. With FIVE honor-tricks TWO to THREE-ODD can be generally made.

When there are less than SIX honor-tricks in the two hands and no good trump suit (preferably spades or hearts) to be found, partners should try to stop the bidding at a safe, low level.

Game Zone—SIX honor-tricks or more. Combined hands with SIX or more honor-tricks will, with rare exceptions, produce game in a No-Trump or a trump contract.

Slam Zone—6½ to EIGHT honor-tricks. Partners' hands having more than 6½ honor-tricks are, with favourable distribution (freakish distribution or strong long suits), in the slam zone. With EIGHT honor-tricks, players are in the *Grand Slam Zone*.

Bidding is guided by two important factors, SAFETY and PREPAREDNESS. If I were to open the bidding, for example, I would prepare myself for any eventuality. I will make sure that if my partner has a blank hand (hand with no honor-tricks) or even a "bust" or a "Yarborough" (an absolutely worthless hand, containing no honor-card) I will not be penalized more than three tricks not vulnerable or two tricks vulnerable. On the other hand, if my partner has five or more honor-tricks I'll be ready to examine the possibility of a slam.

The main idea in bidding, then, is to find out in ONE or at the most two rounds of bidding in what zone partners' hands can be placed.

Nisei Sketch

Salute To A Nisei Feminist

(Continued from last week)

IF her teaching and religious work had been the only accomplishment through which Hide Hyodo had become known to us, we would describe her as one of the most remarkable of Nisei women. But from these activities, that which has set her apart and made her outstanding has been the service she has contributed to the Nisei in second generation movement itself.

Just eight years ago, when the stirrings of political conscious- among the Nisei first manifested themselves in the organization of Japanese Canadian Citizens Association in Vancouver, Hide caught the vision that has fired her enthusiasm through thick and thin. active supporter of the Association, she gave unstintingly, too, of time and thought to the New Age, the first English organ, thru which the second generation sought to give voice to their po- aspirations.

That the organization was finally sacrificed upon an altar of apathy and indifference, failed to dim her tireless enthusiasm or cause her to lose faith in the reality of the ideal which first insp- the movement.

Thus, when the J.C.C.A. was finally dissolved, and a new organiza- tion, the Japanese Canadian Citizens League came into being, no m- ardent worker was to be found among the young men and women up- whose shoulders the burden of leadership had dropped.

DISPROVING the traditional Japanese attitude toward the gentler se- she took her place as a member of the historic delegation, which, the spring of 1936, travelled three thousand miles to Canada's capi- there to make a valiant appeal for recognition of the second generation

This was no pleasure jaunt. It was work, man's work, involv- late hours drafting arguments and pleas for their cause, wearisome hours in hectic discussions, patient study and investigation. It ma- hopes and fear, disappointment and worries, and no visible conc- results to which they could point, saying proudly, "This much accomplished!"

But when the history of the fight that our group has made establish themselves as free and equal citizens of Canada is fin- written, the record of that valiant trip will be inscribed as an undy- challenge to the forces of prejudice, ignorance and misunderstanding that blinded the eyes of the Canadian people and their statesmen.

The reaction among the Nisei over the apparent failure of the trip to accomplish its objective was one of apathy and disillusionment and for a time the Nisei lost heart in their fight. But Hide stepped into the presidency of the Vancouver Chapter of the League, pulled it from the slough of inaction in which it was threatening to drown itself, and disregarding the ominous trend of international events, once more placed it on an upward march to the ultimate fulfillment of its purpose. Today, as recording secretary of the National Council, it is her conviction that only through themselves and their organized and united efforts, can the second generation realize and fulfill themselves and their destiny.

BUT Hide is far from being Nisei feminist and Nisei feminist alone. Her contact with the world of politics has failed to rob her of feminine charm and personality that has paved a welcome for her wherever she goes.

She is, first and foremost a woman enjoying those little personal acts and duties that are so inextricably bound up with her sex. She can vie with any woman in preparing an appetizing and colorful meal. her hands knitting or crocheting needles are handled with as much and dexterity as the latest political crisis, and just now she is deep Red Cross work. She has as many ideas for novel home furnishings personal dress as she has for schoolroom devices and techniques.

Aside from her interests in the home, she keeps in step as much as time will allow with the latest books. Her taste ranges from biography to the popular best sellers, but with a slight preference for books about Japan, Japanese culture and Japanese people. Her only attempt to make any books of her own resulted in a diary and a scrap book anti-Japanese propaganda, which she had to scrap because as she "There was so much of it, I couldn't keep up with the times."

Although she prefers Barbirolli to Goodman, she likes the lilt throb of a good swing band. She confesses, too, to a secret passion grease paint, footlights and curtain calls, and is the best bet for drama ticket seller. She likes photography, bridge, walking and talking.

A firm believer in sports for exercise she has upheld the honor the Nippon Tennis Club in its great heyday. "But," she confesses ruefully, "I couldn't run, so I always got there after the ball had gone by." In badminton, her favourite sport, her prowess with the shuttle- cock is too well-known to require elaboration. Just now she is apply- all her skill to the intricacies of a golf swing.

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ALL her inborn talents, her training, her experiences and observ- have contributed to form one of the most remarkable Nisei per- sonalities we've ever met. A woman, yes, in the truest sense of word—but one of those rare women who have risen above and beyond the usual circle of feminine things, and grasped something of the spiritual significance of man's continuing quest for an unattainable We asked her, "Do you think the Nisei problem will ever be solved?" To which she answered in the direct and frank manner characteristic of her, "Why surely, but not until each and every Nisei realizes his personal responsibility and goes out into Canadian society ready prepared to do his part."

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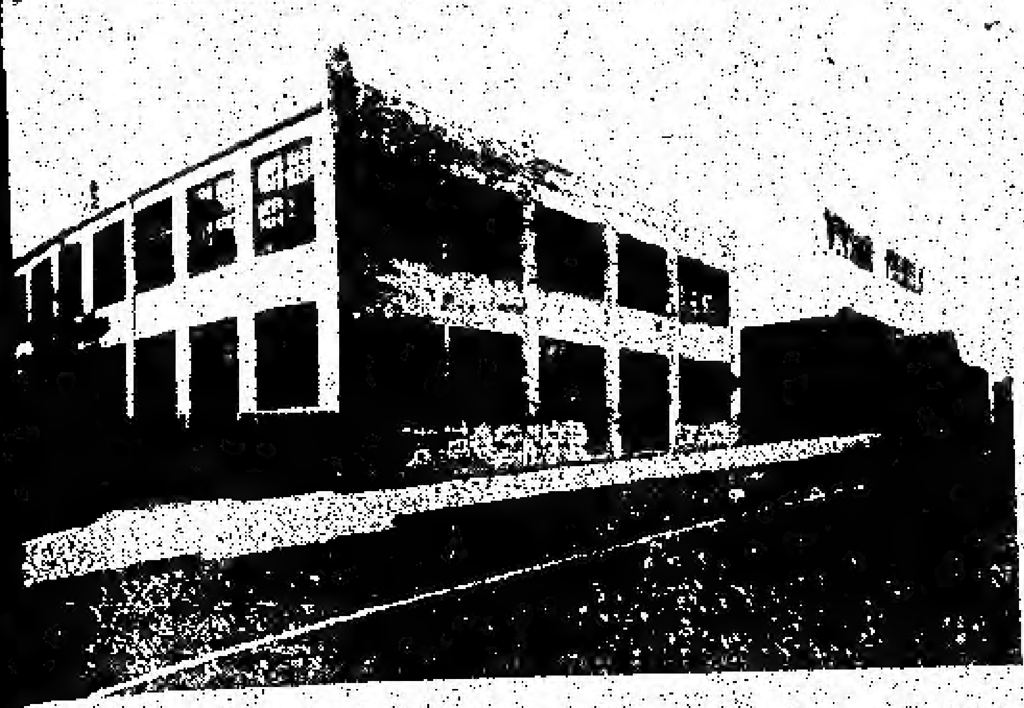

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Asahis Look Good For City Crown

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Under the bright floodlights of Bob Brown's beautiful green Athletic Park last Saturday, the Asahis, Yankees of the Burrard League, and pride and joy of the Nihonjin-machi, thrilled its hundreds of staunch, jabbering, cheering supporters by thoroughly swamping Senior League Twilight C.Y.O.'s 19-4 in an exhibition tilt.

Although just a friendly match, Saturday night's win proves that the Asahis are in the same class, as, if not of stronger caliber than, the Senior leaguers, and gives them a good chance to cop three titles this year, namely the Burrard, Senior City, and the Japanese Northwest crown.

It was just like old times again—the days when the Asahis were strutting their stuff at Con Jones Park. Old mound rivals met in Kaz Suga versus boisterous Fred Yehle, and as in bygone days, the peppery Nipponese got the best of temperamental Fred.

Yehle Easy Meat

Yehle's offerings were easy meat to the Asahis. They banged him all over the lot and pushed across four runs in the initial frame. A singleton in the second and brace of runs in the third wrote his finish as he scurried to an early shower.

Roy Holden taking over the mound must have also forgotten his lucky charm pin. He had to chuck to exactly 11 Asahi batsmen before he could retire the hectic fifth inning, the inning in which the Nippon Reps shoved in 7 runs.

To climax a perfect evening, fleet-footed Frank Shiraishi pulled off a perfect home-steal for the 19th run, after he had smacked out a long triple.

Kaz Suga had the Catholic crew's number and held them to seven scattered hits which accounted for only four runs. Besides doing a dandy job on the mound, Kaz poled out two doubles and two singles in five times up to bat.

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ASAHIS vs. C.Y.O.

Shiraishi, lf	5	3	1	3	1	0
Yamamura, 2b	1	3	3	0	3	1
Suga, p	5	3	1	0	3	0
Nishihara, 1b	5	0	1	11	0	0
Mitsui, cf, c	4	2	2	1	1	1
Maruno, 3b	5	3	1	0	3	1
Nakamura, rf, cf	5	2	3	1	1	1
Kutsukake, c	4	2	1	2	1	0
Shishido, ss	4	1	0	2	0	0
Sawayama, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Terada, ss	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yoshinaka, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kaminishi, 2b	0	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	41	19	17	21	12	5

Score by Innings:

		R	H	E
Asahis	415 170 1	19	17	5
C.Y.O.	010 010 2	4	7	8

Summary — Triple, Shiraishi; Doubles, Suga 2, Yamamura, Maruno, Holden; Sacrifice Hit, Shiraishi, Shishido; Stolen bases, Shiraishi, Yamamura 2, Suga 1, Mitsui; Struck out by Suga 3, by Yehle 0, by Holden 3; Base on balls off Suga 5, off Yehle 3, off Holden 1; Hit by pitcher, Reid by Suga; Double play, Holden to McCarthy to Reid; Left on Bases, Asahis 7, C.Y.O. 8; Umpires George Vanhatten and Charlie Stevenson.

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Fraser Sockeye Run Under Way But Price Situation Still Unsolved

By Staff Correspondent

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.—Sockeye salmon are beginning to enter the Fraser River in larger numbers; and fishermen this week are looking forward to increased catches, but are distinctly uneasy over the price situation.

The refusal of the Government to intervene leaves the next step up to the fishermen, to decide whether they will accept the reduced schedule of prices offered by the canners, to undertake further negotiations or to stop fishing in a final effort to raise the prices.

The report of the government committee, as announced by Fisheries Minister Michaud, stated that the government would not take any action along the lines already applied in the apple industry, because it would not bring any benefits to the fishermen.

"If the Government was to handle the salmon pack, it would take much less than the preceding three years," says the report. "It would not pay more than 80 percent of the average price in the same three years."

"That would mean that fishermen would have an outlet for only a certain share of their catch, and they would receive only 80 per cent of the average price paid them during the 1937-38 period."

Unions to Decide

Conferences of the negotiating committee representing three Occidental fishermen's organizations will decide on steps to be taken. Pending the clarification of the price negotiations, fishermen are disposing of their catches with the canneries.

Boats on the Fraser were averaging around 70 fish at the close of last week, with the prospect for big runs coming up.

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Bloedel Banner

Returning home recently after a two-weeks' vacation amid the bright lights, let's scan the news.

The Bloedel logging outfit, which has been closed since late in June resumed operations on July 12. Recent rainfall relieved the very dangerous fire hazard.

NIPPON TENNIS

Last Sunday Nippon Tennis Club's entry in the Vancouver & District League chalked up their third win without even playing. The Nippon netters waited impatiently for the North Vancouver team to show up at the Nippon Courts, but they waited in vain. Nippons won by default.

Japan Champion In Far East Olympics

TOKYO—War in Europe may have disposed of the Olympic Games, perhaps for all time, but in the Far East hostilities failed to put a halt to the East Asia Athletic meet, held in Tokyo in celebration of Japan's 26th centennial.

By taking 25 out of 35 events Japan easily led all other competing countries. The titles in basketball, baseball, soccer, rugby, volleyball, handball, hockey, cycling, table tennis, wrestling, boxing, and yachting were taken by Japan, who also won championships in ten track and field events in the monster athletic meet.

The Philippines placed second by scoring in the 200 and 400 meter dash, 400 meter hurdles, both 400 and 1,600 meter relays, and taking the crown in tennis.

Manchoukuo was third with championships in the shotput, hammer throw, and 1,000 meter run. China failed to capture a championship, as did Mongolia and Hawaii.

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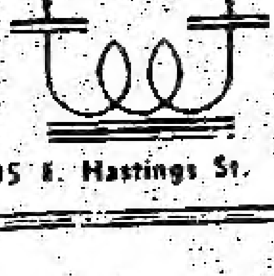
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Sport SPOTLITE

"Please Replace Divots"

C'mon you dubbers, get out your golf clubs and let's go digging potatoes. Some game, you ought to try it! Now, what am I saying? I used to think early morning divoteers were a bit balmy, but time has changed that and now I'm addicted. Yes sir, ye ole golf-bug has bitten me pretty badly.

It all happened one day when the chief in one of his good moods asked if I wanted to trail along with him. Well I accepted his invitation and as a result I hear the old story, day in, and day out: "Now in your chip shot you should . . . blah, blah, blah . . . In the bunkers you should . . . blah, blah, blah . . . " Wow, what a life!

Golf has its good and bad points. You place the ball on the tee, a couple of empty swings, a last look at the far-away red flag, still another look at the ball, and then you let the ball have it with all your might. And what happens? The ball with a big cut on top trickles a few yards away. You let out one big curse; suddenly you remember there are others present, so you slowly start counting up to ten. If that doesn't cool you down, you keep counting up to 20.

But as I said before it also has its good points. Nothing makes you happier than to connect squarely with the driver and send the ball soaring over 200 yards towards the pin. An approach shot that lands on the green makes you even happier, and when a 20-foot putt trickles down the sloping green and plunks into the hole, well, all you can say is "Golf is the most wonderful game of all."

Here's a poem dedicated to all golf-addicts by one of the most famous of the sports writers, Grantland Rice:

Under the wide and open sky
Dig the grave and let me lie;
Gladly I've lived and gladly die,
Away from this world of strife;
This be the epitaph for me—
"Here he lies where he longed to be—
Lies in death by the nineteenth tee,
Where he lied all through his life."

—Grantland Rice.

My Apologies

Dear mermaids and mermen, members of the Nippon Aquatic Club, I humbly beg your forgiveness, especially to those who were kind enough to read this column last week and turned out for their aquatic drills last Wednesday afternoon. I guess you folks that went and found no instructor there, and then later found out that it was evening classes, felt like tearing my limbs apart piece by piece. Well, don't you worry, I've been making a big detour of the downtown section and so far I'm still intact.

Don't forget then that the splashers have their workout every Wednesday evening. Allan McDonnell will be out there to assist you in anything connected with swimming.

Thanks a Million

Asahis, through the medium of this column, wish to thank the folks in Woodfibre for the wonderful time spent last week-end. On Monday morning, they were none the worse except for a slight headache, but all in all every member thoroughly enjoyed the trip. Also many thanks tendered to Messrs. Miyamoto and Suga and "Chief" Fukuyama for the transportation facilities.

Chalk Up Easy Wins In Exhibition Tilts

Asahis' joint baseball and pleasure trip to Woodfibre on a specially chartered boat met with great success last Sunday. The pulp and paper mill all-stars had nothing on the local Rep team and were seriously outclassed. The localites had no trouble in taking both tilts of the double-header.

In the first game, the Woodfibre Japanese All-Stars took a 9-1 beating. The "Hakujin" All Stars didn't fare any better either and could reach Nag Nishihara for 6 scattered hits while the Vancouverites put the pressure on twirler Chadwick for 17 safe bingles, ringing up a 14-6 victory.

The local heavy hitters in the Woodfibre series were Kaz Suga with 6-9, Frank Shiraishi with 5-10 and Ken Kutsukake with 4-8.

Asahis—Shiraishi, lf (3-5); Yamamura, 2b (0-1); Suga, 1b (2-4); Nishihara, p (0-4); Mitsui, cf (1-4); Maruno, 3b (2-3); Kutsukake, c (3-1); Shishido, ss (0-1); Yoshinaka, rf (1-1); Kaminishi, 2b (0-2); Sawayama, p (0-1)—12 hits.

Woodfibre Japanese All-Stars—Mitani, 2b (0-4); Ide, cf (1-3); Sora, lf (0-3); Koyanagi, ss (1-3); Sekine, 1b (1-3); Omoto, p (0-2); Ogaki, p (1-1); Takeda, c (0-3); Inouye, rf (1-3); Ikeno, 3b (0-3)—5 hits.

Score by Innings:				
Asahis	1 1 3	0 2 0	0—9
Woodfibre	0 1 0	0 0 0	0—1

Asahis—Shiraishi, lf (2-5); Yamamura (1-3); Suga, 1b (4-5); Nishihara, p (3-3); Mitsui, c (1-5); Maruno, 3b (2-4); Shishido, ss (1-3); Yoshinaka, cf, p (1-3); Kutsukake, cf (1-1); Kaminishi, 2b (0-1); Sawayama, cf (1-1)—17 hits.

Woodfibre All-Stars—Johnson, 3b (1-4); Seaton, rf (0-2); Curden, ss (0-3); Haar, 1b (1-3); Lawson, lf (1-3); Tirone, cf (1-2); F. Haar, 2b (0-3); Ramsay, c (1-3); Chadwick, p (1-3)—6 hits.

Score by Innings:				
Asahis	2 0 4	0 3 5	0—14
Woodfibre	0 0 0	0 1 4	0—6

No Major Upsets In Tennis Tourney

The first round of the Nippon Tennis Club Championship Tournament got under way last Sunday on the three courts of the Nippon Tennis Club. No major upsets took place.

In the closest fought match of the day, the two Shigas, Yamashita and Ouye showed promise of championship material when they put on an excellent performance of racquet wielding. In the long guelling match, Yamashita's effective ground covering and consistent fore-hand drives slowly tired Ouye out of the race.

K. Hayashi, Ouye's stablemate at T. Maikawa's put on a surprise showing and just about turned the table to eliminate southpaw "Mat" Matsui from the championship drive.

In the only ladies' game of the day, Yae Suzuki after laying off tennis for a long time, came back to score an amazing upset in hard-smashing, s[illegible] 6-1, and 6-2.

Club Secretary Matsui requests that all girls turn out next Sunday to get their postponed games played off in order to complete the tournament by Sunday, July 28th.

Also of note are tentative plans arranged for the proposed [illegible]tional tournament at the Nippon Courts. Matsui has already [illegible] an invitation to the Seattle Nippon Tennis Club. The tourney is expected to take place around the middle of August.

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Bussei League

Fairview Win Puts Kitsies On Spot

By T. Y. TERADA

There seems to be no means of stopping Fairview Bussei's fighting nine. Last Sunday at Powell Grounds the Kitsilano boys had to be contented with the short end of an 8-3 score.

Fairview's smiling Yo Nishimura was too effective for the Kitsilano boys, allowing only four hits and striking out ten batters. Besides pitching winning ball, he smashed out three of Fairview's seven hits.

LEAGUE STANDING

	W	L
Fairview	5	2
Hompa	3	3
Kitsilano	2	5

The Kitsies just couldn't get a hold of Yo Nishimura's offerings. When they did, the Fairview men always seemed to be camping under almost sure hits. Outside of whiffing at thin air the Kitsies imagined themselves as headliners at the Beacon Theatre by doing some fancy juggling on behalf of Fairview.

Hompa vs. Fairview

Hompa will meet Fairview coming Sunday, and should the downtown boys beat Fairview, Kitsilanos will just have to put away their spikes in moth balls and hope for a better season next year. Should the outcome be reversed Kitsilano can still hope to tie Hompa for second position in League standing by beating Hompa in the last match of the eight game schedule.

Fairview—Nishikawa, ss (0-4); Ebata, rf (2-3); L. Tsukada, 3b (0-3); Nishimura, p (3-4); M. Tsukada, lf (1-4); Takahashi, 2b (1-4); Hamakawa, cf (0-4); Maeda, 1b (0-3); Tanaka, c (0-3)—7 hits.

Kitsilano—C. Terada, cf (0-3); Ohashi, 3b (1-3); Yoshida, ss (1-4); Y. Matsumoto, lf (1-3); S. Matsumoto, c (0-2); Maeda, rf (0-2); Yamada, 2b (0-3); Wakabayashi, 1b (1-3); Sumi, p (0-3); Nishizaki, rf (0-1)—4 hits.

Score by Innings:		R	H	E
Fairview	130 020 2—	8	7	5
Kitsilano	100 020 0—	3	4	6

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